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- A ruble is equivalent to 85 French francs.
- 2. Prices are approximately the same in all of the USSR with the exception of those areas where climatic conditions are very difficult.
- 3. For example, here are some prices
 - a) Rye bread 1.60 rubles per kg for bread of a very inferior quality. Rye flour mixed with other types of flour.
 - b) Wheat bread is only found in large cities. The price of a kg varies from four to six rubles according to the quality.
 - c) Macaroni and farinaceous foods from four to seven rubles according to the quality.
 - Cube sugar 10.20 rubles per kg; granulated sugar 9.60 rubles
 - e) Rice eight rubles per kg; oil 16 rubles a liter; butter - 22 to 36 rubles per kg; eggs - 0.50 to 1.20 rubles; lard -24 to 40 rubles per kg.

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- f) Beef 10 to 12 rubles per kg; Tamb 12-16 rubles per kg; pork 15 to 20 rubles per kg; cacao 120 rubles per kg.
- g) A pair of shoes is priced at from 70 to 450 rubles. Even at higher prices the quality is very medicore, and a pair of shoes does not last for more than three months of moderate wear. A wornout pair cannot be repaired.
- h) A pair of stockings from 20 to 50 rubles.
- i) Wool cloth 120 rubles per m, 140 in width; for the cheapest cloth; from 250 to 450 rubles, 140 in width, for woolen cloth for coats.
- f) Cotton material (percale) from eight to 14 rubles, 60 cm in width.
- k) Cotton material (chintz) from 14 to 20 rule ts, 60 cm in width.
- 1) Rayon cloth is priced at from 60 to 90 rubles, 90 cm in width.
- m) Silk cloth is priced at from 120 to 150 rubles, 90 cm in width.
- n) A man's suit from 700 to 1500 rubles.

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o) A winter coat - from 800 to two thousand rubles.

For the past few months food products such as sugar and macaroni are plentiful in the cities: In a small town such as Subscius, conditions are also improved. Cube sugar is almost always available and frequently even granulated sugar, once or twice a week heavy rye bread can be had (due to the production norms) as well as pearled barley and milled arley, and also hulled oats.

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